

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: M. Russell Merchen

Serial No.: 09/837,884

Filed: April 18, 2001

Art Group: 2135

Examiner: Allen S. Wu

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AUTHORIZING AND
CERTIFYING ELECTRONIC DATA TRANSFERS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION TO AMEND THE INVENTION ENTITY BY THE ADDITION OF STAN
MARETT, JOHN BRASSARD AND TERRY MONTGOMERY AS JOINT
INVENTORS UNDER 37 CFR §1.48(a)**

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request a correction of inventorship in accordance with 37 CFR §1.48(a) as permitted by 35 U.S.C. § 116. The inventorship for application number 09/837,884, METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AUTHORIZING AND CERTIFYING ELECTRONIC DATA TRANSFERS, by Merchen, was improperly set forth in the executed declaration of the original application filed April 18, 2001. Previously, only inventor M. Russel Merchen was identified. Applicants now wish to add John Brassard, Stan Marett, and Terry Montgomery to correct the application.

The omission of these inventors was unintentional and without deceptive intent. Contained in this submission are the statements of the added inventors, a revised oath or declaration, and the processing fee as set forth in §1.17(i) for \$130.00.

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Respectfully submitted:

Dated: 3/21/05

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EXHIBIT A

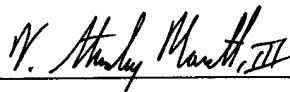
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**STATEMENT OF LACK OF DECEPTIVE INTENT OF
INVENTOR TO BE ADDED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)**

I, V. STANLEY MARETT, III, hereby declare as follows:

1. The error in inventorship in the above-referenced Application occurred without deceptive intention on my part.
2. I am aware that this Statement is being submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
3. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,



V. Stanley Marett, III

Dated: 1-7-05

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I, TERRY MONTGOMERY, hereby declare as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 2-3-2005

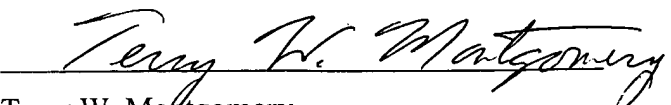

Terry W. Montgomery

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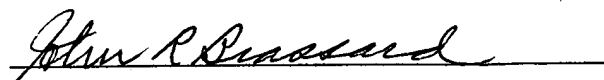
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I, JOHN BRASSARD, hereby declare as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 1/13/2005


John R. Brassard